

Mission Trip Participants,

The sponsor letter fundraiser is a great and easy way to let family members know about your mission trip this summer and to ask for their prayers and financial support. Last year this was a **VERY** successful fundraiser, with a number of students getting enough donations to cover their entire trip!

For this fundraiser, we are asking you to write your own personal letter to friends and family. The letter will have more meaning, being written by you and not an impersonal, generic form letter. You can then pick them up and mail them out to your family members and friends. A sample letter is attached to this letter to help give you an idea of how to write your own letter. Good points to include in your letter are:

- Where are you going on your trip?
- What will you be doing?
- Who are you going with?
- How much does the trip cost?
- Why did you decide to go on this trip this summer? What are you most excited for?
- We need their prayers for the camp/mission trip to be successful!

Remember, we are here to help you out! If you ever need help please start by writing a rough draft and then schedule a time to meet with myself or one of our staff in the Life Teen office to go over it. Writing the letter may seem like a daunting task, but adding the personal touch is always more effective and more meaningful to the reader. By putting time and effort into this simple fundraiser, you will be surrounding yourself and fellow peers in prayer and gaining financial support.

God Bless,



Nick Scanlan

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*As a reminder, any money raised exceeding your trip goal will go to fundraise the other trip expenses for this year.

Dear Grandma & Grandpa Scanlan,

This summer, I have the amazing opportunity to be a part of St. Charles Catholic Parish's mission trip program. I will be traveling to New Orleans, Louisiana to help the local community rebuild after Hurricane Katarina. I decided to go on this mission trip to help those who have lost everything in the hurricane, clean-up and help restore a sense of normalcy to their lives. I am traveling with a group from my parish, and will be joined by a number of different groups from across the country. I am looking forward to meeting new people, learning new skills and making memories that will stay with me for the rest of my life!

This life-changing experience will certainly carry considerable costs, and as such, I am responsible for fundraising \$900 to make this trip a reality. To reach this end, I am hoping that you will help sponsor my mission trip with a prayerful and financial donation. All contributions of any sizes are definitely appreciated (and are also tax-deductible).

As you consider supporting this worthy endeavor, please remember, some give by going; others go by giving! During my mission trip, I will be keeping all of my sponsors in my thoughts and prayers for allowing me to go and serve those in need. I commit to sharing my mission trip experiences and reflections with you and my parish community after my return. If you are interested and able to support my mission trip experience, please fill out and return the enclosed page. In about a week, I will contact you to follow up with your decision.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or my Youth Minister Nick Scanlan via e-mail at lifeteen@stcharleshartland.org or via phone at 262.367.3277 ext. 221. Thank you in advance for your support!

Love your favorite Grandson,

Nick Scanlan



PLEASE WRITE NEATLY SO I CAN SEND YOU A POST CARD FROM THE TRIP!

YES! I would like to support and sponsor _____
(Name of Participant)

on their mission trip this summer! I will be praying for my teen (and the trip as a whole!) during the coming months and while the group is away. Below are my prayer intentions for my teen and the group to keep in their prayers during their trip:

*Please send us your intentions even if you are unable to donate! We would LOVE to pray for you!

Four horizontal lines for writing prayer intentions.

Besides my prayer support, I would also like to make a financial donation to their trip for this amount:

___ \$10 ___ \$20 ___ \$30 ___ \$40 ___ \$50 \$_____ OTHER

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Form with fields for Name, E-mail, Address, City/State, Zip, Signature, and Date.

Please make check payable to **St. Charles** and return, with this form, to:

Lake County Life Teen
313 Circle Drive
Hartland, WI 53029

